

RE-ADVERTISEMENT

AMERICAN EMBASSY, NEW DELHI, INDIA

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 13-001

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates

POSITION: Media Specialist, LHS-10 (LHS grades are equivalent

to FSN grades) (Contract Employee Agreement)

Level I (Trainee Level) – LHS 8 (FSN-07; FP7 and FSN-08; FP-6) **Level II** (Development Level) – LHS 9 (FSN-09; FP-5 step 1 thru 4) **Level III** (Full Performance) –LHS 10 (FSN-10; FP-5 step 5 thru 14) (The position will be filled at the appropriate level only, depending on

the candidate selected)

OPENING DATE: 18 March, 2013

CLOSING DATE: 02 April, 2013

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hours/week

SALARY: Starting salary and grade will be determined on the basis of

qualifications and experience, and/or salary history.

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (See Definitions) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The US Embassy in New Delhi is seeking full time Media Specialist specializing in South Asian media and current affairs.

Please insert <u>13-001</u> (Vacancy Announcement Number) in the Subject of the E-mail. Applications without the Vacancy Number or with incorrect Vacancy Number will not be accepted.

BASIC FUNCTIONS OF POSITION

Duties will include coverage of media developments and breaking news, production of translations and multimedia products, web content management, research, and written analysis.

Incumbents will be required to work extended hours, weekends, holidays, and to travel periodically.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

- Knowledge of South Asian current affairs and media (degree-level or minimum 2-3 years of equivalent experience)
- Level –IV (Fluency) in English, Urdu, Hindi, <u>and</u> either Telugu or Marathi is required.
 Ability to translate into idiomatic English from Urdu, Hindi, <u>and</u> either Telugu or Marathi.
- Strong English writing skills
- Strong technical skills and knowledge of social media, web content management and digital media tools.
- Self motivated individual with proven team working skills and flexibility

QUALIFICATIONS DESIRED:

- Level –IV (Fluency) in Malayalam and ability to translate into idiomatic English from Malayalam.
- Big data analysis skills.

SELECTION PROCESS

Only short listed candidates will be notified within 14 days of the closing date. Notified candidates will be given tests to evaluate translation skills, English-language writing, and current events.

When fully qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- 2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply
- 3. Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
- 4. 4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
- Currently employed NORs and hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA)
 are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their
 employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed
 (WAE) work schedule.

TO APPLY

By COB 02 April 2013, please submit your CV with a covering letter identifying how you meet the above qualifications and clearly stating your interest, qualifications, and language expertise to: NDVacancies@State.gov

DEFINITIONS

- 1. <u>Eligible Family Member (EFM):</u> An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:
 - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610);
 - Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is
 incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring,
 stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the
 employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal
 guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and
 normally residing with the guardian;
 - Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
 - Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.
- 2. <u>U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):</u> For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:
 - U.S. Citizen; and,
 - EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
 - Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
 - 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
 - 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.
- 3. <u>Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):</u> EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:
 - Is a U.S. citizen; and
 - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) or a child

of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and

- Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126, Foreign Service
 Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a directhire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is
 permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office
 of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief of mission
 authority; and
- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
- Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity
- 4. <u>Member of Household (MOH):</u> An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:
 - Not an EFM; and,
 - Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
 - Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, and other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

- 5. **Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** An individual who:
 - Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
 - Does not ordinarily reside (OR, see below) in the host country; and,
 - Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
 - Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

- 6. Ordinarily Resident (OR) A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:
 - Is locally resident; and,
 - Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
 - Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: (02 April, 2013)

The U.S. Mission in New Delhi provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.